

LAST EDITION.
BLOCKADED BY FRANCE.
Ports of the Island of Madagascar Declared Closed to Commerce.
WHAT WILL ENGLAND DO?
Act of the French the Probable Cause of the Call for a Cabinet Council.
COMMENTS OF LONDON PAPERS.
No Present Reason for a War Panic, but the Situation is Very Serious, They Say.

have stood by while France partitioned her heritage in Siam, has dandies to persuade the more ignorant or hot-headed Frenchmen that England is not so very terrible after all.
"To-day's news of the blockade of the island of Madagascar sets at rest all doubts as to the immediate business of tomorrow's Cabinet Council. The Ministers have decided upon a resolute course of action and the public will await with anxiety the news of their decision."
THE ARMY IN INDIA.
To Be Ready to March Eastward--
Naval Rumors at Portsmouth.
(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, Oct. 3.—The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the Earl of Kimberley, has been in communication with the Indian Government, and preparations are being made to concentrate English and Indian troops in readiness to proceed further East.
A despatch from Portsmouth says that rumors are circulated there in regard to extensive naval preparations. The various heads of departments at the dockyard held a conference this morning at which the opinion of the officers was taken in regard to the time the First Division of the reserve ships could be in readiness to put to sea.
The training squadron's departure from Portsmouth for the West Indies has been postponed from Saturday next to Wednesday week, and if necessary the cruise of this squadron will be abandoned and the men on board the training ships will be transferred to ships which will shortly be commissioned.

A FRENCH OPINION.
"Matin" Says There Can Be No Excuse for a Conflict.
PARIS, Oct. 3.—The Matin this morning says that Madagascar can offer no possible subject for a dispute between France and Great Britain, adding: "Once our differences with the Malagasy Government are settled, there will be no pretext for a Franco-British conflict. The relations between the two Governments were never more tranquil."
War Rumors and Stocks.
(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, Oct. 3.—The Stock Exchange to-day closed flat, on account of the rumors in circulation regarding the cause of calling a special Cabinet Council for to-morrow.

BRITISH OFFICIALS DENY.
But the London Press Believes that the Trouble is in Madagascar.
(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, Oct. 3.—The officials of the Foreign Office deny that the Cabinet Council summoned for to-morrow is due to a hitch in the negotiations with France in regard to Madagascar.
They add that the hasty summoning of the Ministers was due to the necessity of discussing several important international questions, one of the chief subjects to be brought up being the safety of British subjects resident in China.
A despatch was received at the Foreign Office to-day from the British Consul at Peking, stating that he was making arrangements to insure the safety of the British residents at the Chinese capital.
All the afternoon papers gravely discuss the hasty summoning of a Cabinet Council Thursday (to-morrow), and it is generally accepted as being connected with some serious difficulty with France over the Madagascar dispute.
The Liberal organ, the Westminster Gazette, handles the subject very tenderly, and is evidently anxious not to excite public opinion and thereby embarrass the Government.
On the other hand, the Conservative mouthpieces discuss the matter more fearfully, and warn France against encroaching upon British rights.
The Pall Mall Gazette says: "A crisis has been reached. The subject of a Cabinet Council must be very sudden, as the Ministers were dispersed on their holidays. It is quite possible, however, that propositions have been made to settle the various differences. But, while we readily recognize that the incident admits of favorable interpretation, it is idle to ignore that it is quite possible that the Cabinet has been summoned to discuss a new and unexpected cause of friction with France."
Refers to a French Editorial.
The Gazette then refers to the article printed to-day in the Politique Coloniale, of Paris, which reflects the views of the Minister of the Colonies, M. Delecluse, and which gives exclusive of the questions of Egypt and Madagascar, a list of eleven outstanding difficulties between France and England, connected with frontier and similar disputes in various African colonies.
The Politique Coloniale says that many of these have practically been settled and that none of them would justify a rupture unless one country was bent upon picking a quarrel with the other, which, the paper adds, is not the case.
The Pall Mall Gazette, in spite of this, says that the article in the Politique Coloniale is unfriendly to "the verge of discourtesy," adding:
"And if it reflects the spirit in which the French Ministers intend to discuss the difficulties with England, we may prepare for troublesome times. We do not wish to quarrel with France, but, on the other hand, we are indisposed to permit trespassing upon our unquestioned rights. The bullying spirit which tells Frenchmen that they have only to brag and bluff enough to force England to surrender may easily lead to trouble."
No Ground for Public Alarm.
The Globe says: "We believe that there is no ground for public alarm or suspicion, but we cannot surrender any part of England's rights, or shrink any part of her duties. Our strained relations with France are not a matter of a day's growth, nor connected entirely with Madagascar. We have points of contact with the French throughout the world, and each is possible of having fostered irritation which may easily become strife."
It is certain that the time may in which we have allowed ourselves to be outwitted in the far East during the last year and the manner in which we

NOW FOR A FERRY WAR.
The Staten Island Rapid Transit Company Will Continue Its Service.
ITS RIGHTS UNDER THE LAW.
Privileged to Land in New York All Persons Carried on Its Railroad.
ST. GEORGE RESIDENTS BARRED.
Howard Carroll Says the City Must Protect His Lease.

"One ferry or two?"
"Two ferries or none?"
These are the stereotyped forms of greeting now in vogue on Staten Island and on the boats from St. George to this city.
Since last Saturday the Staten Island ferry franchise, which was sold to Howard Carroll on that day, has been the one absorbing topic of conversation among the residents of Richmond County.
The apparent dilatoriness of the new lessees of the ferry privilege has caused considerable comment, and the stand of the Rapid-Transit Company has mystified everybody.
To-day Howard Carroll returned to this city and states emphatically that he intends to run the only ferry line between the islands of Manhattan and Staten Island.
On the other hand, Lawyer Boardman, of the firm of Boardman, Tracy & Platt, counsel of the Staten Island Rapid Transit Railroad, is authority for the statement that the Staten Island Rapid Transit Railroad will not take off its boats to-morrow, as threatened.
Mr. Boardman said to-day that under the law a railroad has the right to run a ferry to land passengers in New York; that under that law the Rapid Transit Company could carry all passengers that rode in the cars of the Company, but could not carry any wagons or trucks.
The boats, it is stated, are to run to the slip in New York of the ferry running to Thirty-ninth street, South Brooklyn, which is controlled by the Staten Island Rapid Transit Company.
Mr. Boardman says that the only persons the Rapid Transit Company cannot carry are those living at St. George, that being the terminus of the two branches of the Company's railroad and ever, that the Lieutenant-Governor

SHEEHAN IS HERE TO HELP.
Comes from Buffalo to Join Senator Hill's Harmony Cohort.
HE WILL PLAY WITH THE TIGER.
Less Objectionable Agents Will Hold Out the Olive Branch to Antis.
THE SENATOR'S MIDNIGHT RIDE.
If with Gaynor It Was Not Sufficiently Satisfactory to Talk About.

Senator Hill's Harmony Cohort has been reinforced from Buffalo. Lieut. Gov. William Sheehan has come down to assist Chairman of the State Committee Hinchey, John Boyd Thacher, the Forgiving, and Voluble Mr. De Forest, clerk of the State Committee, in pouring balm into the wounds of the anti-machine leaders. Mr. Sheehan called on Mr. Hill's managers early to-day and then started out to play the part assigned to him.
Lieut. Gov. Sheehan is expected first of all to overcome the opposition of Mayor Gilroy, Bourke Cockran and Corporation Counsel Clark to the peace overtures that are to be made to the Grace-Fairchild and the Shepard wings of the Democracy. He could not be commissioned Bearer of the Olive Branch, for the reason that he is persona non grata to the gentlemen to be of the Police Commission, and with the latter exposed to the self-constituted Boss of Tammany and his little clique the Law of Necessity.
Lieut. Gov. Sheehan began his work by starting out on a still trip to Richmond County, in order to bring the influence he still retains in Tammany Hall to bear upon Gilroy's clique. Not finding Mr. Croker up-town, Mr. Sheehan sought him at the office of his partner in the real-estate business, F. F. Meyer, 811 Broadway.
Edward M. Shepard's office is in the same building, but Mr. Sheehan did not try to see the leader of the Kings County boaters.
Instead of turning up to the second floor, where Mr. Shepard has his office, Mr. Sheehan went down to the basement and along the corridor to the door bearing the sign "Peter F. Meyer & Co.," through which he passed to the



What Staten Island People May Come To.

IT RESTS WITH PLATT.
If He Names a Straight Local Ticket, Antis Will, Too.
On His Attitude Depends the Action of Grace Democrats.
But No Nominations Will Be Made at To-Night's Convention.
Robert Grier Monroe was just as non-committal to-day as to what took place at the conference of State Democratic leaders last night at the Reform Club rooms.
"It is impossible," he said, "to give any exact idea as to what the programme will be. Events must shape themselves."
"Everything will depend upon our Convention to-night. I have already talked too much upon this subject. If I say much more I will be read out of the party."
"As to the stories published that the New York State Democracy has stated that it is willing to drop the third State ticket idea, provided we are allowed the privilege of putting the Democratic State ticket at the head of our local ticket, I can only say that I have heard nothing whatever about it, neither do I think it is true."
"As to any overtures that may have been made by Senator Hill or any one on his behalf, I can say nothing."
While it is not believed that Senator Hill personally saw Mr. Fairchild while downtown yesterday, it was stated this morning that the former had been trying to arrive at some understanding with the latter. Rumor has it that the intermediary is either Dr. Lancy Nicol or Congressman Hendrix, of Brooklyn.
The conference lasted about twenty minutes. When it was over Mr. Grace said:
"There is nothing new in the situation regarding a third State ticket. In fact, there is such a difference of opinion concerning it that nothing will be definitely known until after the convention to-night."
"Neither is it certain that there will be an action of the Republican party here. If they insist on nominating a straight ticket, why then we will have a third ticket. Otherwise I don't think we will."

WERE THEY DRUGGED.
Wells Family Slept Soundly While Burglars Were at Work.
All Felt Drowsy and Complained of Pains in the Head.
Valuable Booty Secured in a Brooklyn House.
Thieves made a rich haul during the night in the residence of David S. Wells, 173 Pacific street, Brooklyn. Mr. Wells, who is a well-known coal merchant, with an office in the Washington Building, No. 1 Broadway, New York, lives with his father-in-law, William H. Fleeman, a well-known member of the Episcopal Church, and who was formerly Commissioner of City Works during the term of Seth Low as Mayor of Brooklyn.
Mr. Fleeman got up at 6 o'clock this morning and found the front door was open. He knew that it had been locked before the family retired, and entering the dining-room he saw that his visitors had played havoc with the butler's

"FITZ" ANSWERS JIM.
Corbett's Defi Worthy of a Barnum, He Says.
Willing to Fight Anywhere the Champion Will Meet Him.
Signed the Olympic Club Articles Because He is "So Easy" a Mark.
(Special to The Evening World.)
DERBY, Conn., Oct. 3.—Bob Fitzsimmons arrived here at noon to-day with his theatrical company and Capt. Glor, his manager. Fitzsimmons was interviewed by an "Evening World" representative at the Bassett House relative to Jim Corbett's letter, as published in "The World" this morning.
"This letter of Corbett's would do credit to Barnum in his palmiest days," said Fitz, and Capt. Glor came in with a "that's right."
Fitzsimmons said that as it was before the Olympic Club of New Orleans that Corbett won his present title, in his (Fitzsimmons's) opinion this club should have considerable to say regarding the championship.
"But if Corbett won't fight me before the Olympic Club," he said, "I'm willing to fight him anywhere, so long as I meet him, and providing the purse is big."
"The Olympic Club is not using me as a cat's paw to draw Corbett into a fight, which he claims in his letter of to-day he has no right to engage in."
It was his opinion that it was Corbett's right to accept his challenge and to defend the heavy-weight championship.
"I simply signed with the Olympic Club because I thought that Corbett would jump at the opportunity of getting a middle-weight up before him. I'm so easy that I thought he would take me up at once."
"He has no right to dictate where we shall fight, if we ever do fight, and neither have I. It is customary to go to the biggest purse."
"I, too, would rather fight in New Orleans than in any place on earth."
Fitzsimmons said that he would never have any desire to interfere with Corbett's plans. He is a awful bluffer, he said, and does he think American Athletic Clubs are crazy? That's the funniest thing I ever saw.
"I have no more time for it."
The sum of \$2,000 which is now deposited in New York, within thirty days of to-morrow, when the fight will claim the heavy-weight championship with a perfect right to do so. Then Fitzsimmons and Capt. Glor went to dinner.

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THREATENED TO SHOOT HIM.
Ex-Ward Man Hussey Accused by a Lexow Committee Official.
WITNESSES ALSO SWEAR IT.
Mrs. Caela Urchittel Identifies the Policeman Before the Lexow Committee.
WITH HOCHSTIM, GOT HER \$25.
Then the Ex-Ward Man and Ward Heeler Divided Their Ill-Gotten Blood Money.

The old Part III. General Sessions Court room, which is the headquarters of the Lexow Committee, presented a striking contrast this morning to the scene of yesterday.
The army of clubbers had disappeared, and not a single bluecoat was to be seen. In place of the array of ruffians, convicted of brutal assaults upon unoffending citizens, the witness-box was barely filled with a group of anxious-looking women, who looked as if they might have had some unpleasant dealings with the police, and were dreading the ordeal for which they had been summoned.
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MR. MORTON NOTIFIED.
Many Big Republicans Went with the Committee to Ellicottville.
(Special to The Evening World.)
RHINECLIFF, N. Y., Oct. 3.—The Notification Committee appointed at the Republican State Convention to inform the candidates of their selection, arrived here from New York at 12:30 o'clock to-day. The Committee was headed by C. H. T. Collins, as Chairman, and the accompanying delegation of big Republicans included: Warner Miller, Gen. Angus McKee, Chauncey M. Depue, Gen. Horace Porter, John Wise, B. B. Odell, Senator Saxton, C. S. Van Rensselaer, Cruger, John L. Platt, of Poughkeepsie; Martin Hermance, of Rhinebeck; Dr. O. S. Hart, of this city; and others.
They were met at the depot by W. B. Naxon and escorted in carriages to the Hotel Ellicottville, where the guest of Mr. Morton at Ellicottville yesterday.
The Republican Notification Committee left this city at 10:30 o'clock this morning on a special train from the Grand Central Depot to officially notify Mr. Morton of his nomination for the Governorship.
The special train was made up of President Depue's private car, the party car, and the baggage car.
Besides Commissioner Collins, Cruger, Ellis, Hendrix, Warner Miller, Warner, Baxter and Ellsworth, there were in the party Gen. Benjamin F. Tracy, Gen. Horace Porter, Chairman Hinchey, of the State Committee; Gen. B. B. Odell, of the State Executive Committee; and Gen. John S. Wise, who seconded Mr. Morton's nomination. Chauncey Depue will board the train at Dobbs Ferry and accompany the party the rest of the way.
The formal notification will be made by Chairman Collins, after which the entire party will be entertained at luncheon by Mr. Morton.
It was stated at the depot this morning that John E. Milholland was already at Mr. Morton's home, having gone there at Mr. Morton's guest.

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FOR THE SCITUATE MURDER.
Lawrence Keegan, of Providence, Has Been Arrested.
(By Associated Press.)
PROVIDENCE, R. I., Oct. 3.—Lawrence Keegan, fifty years of age, formerly employed in one of the largest dry-goods houses in this city, but lately a man about town, without employment, has been arrested, charged with the murder of Emily Chambers, whose body was found at Scituate.
Keegan acknowledged that he was acquainted with the murdered woman, but denies all knowledge of the murder.
Weather Forecast.
The weather forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 8 P. M. to-morrow is as follows: Increasing cloudiness, followed by rain this evening or to-night; clearing during Thursday morning; temperature to-day, under during Thursday night; southeasterly winds, shifting to southwesterly.
The following record shows the changes in the temperature during the morning hours, as indicated by the thermometer at 9 A. M.:
S. A. M. 66.6 A. M. 66.6 P. M. 66.6

MAYOR GILROY ANGRY.
He Says Corleone Park Should Have Been Finished Long Ago.
Mayor Gilroy's ire was aroused to-day at the meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, when President Clausen asked for \$2,000 to make a preliminary survey for Corleone's Hook Park.
The Mayor said the people should have had the park long ago, and that the delay was monstrous, and that Corleone's request was granted.
Incendiarism at New Rochelle.
(Special to The Evening World.)
NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y., Oct. 3.—A barn belonging to Lawyer C. H. Naxon on North street, was burned at 2:30 o'clock this morning, together with several tons of hay, farming implements, a horse and carriage. The fire was the work of incendiarism, and in the second one on the outside of the village within forty-eight hours.

\$5 FOR HER DAUGHTER.
But Mrs. Crane Bequeathed \$50,000 to Various Charities.
The will of Angelina Crane, a widow, who died Sept. 20, leaves only \$5 to her only child, a daughter, and the balance of her estate, estimated at \$50,000, being divided among several institutions.
The daughter, the wife of Robert S. Simmons, of 125 East Fifty-ninth street, The will was made Jan. 19, 1891.
It says:
"Inasmuch as my daughter, Edith Hawthorne Crane, now the wife of Robert S. Simmons, has treated me in a most unfeeling and unnatural manner, I therefore give and bequeath to her the sum of \$5, and no more."
The daughter, the wife of Robert S. Simmons, is given to the Women's Hospital, Home for the Incurable, St. Luke's Hospital, and the Bellevue Hospital, The Mayor, Aldermen and Community of New York City are given the sum of \$5,000, to be expended in the erection of a drinking fountain to the memory of the late Mrs. Crane.
The will was filed to-day at the Surrogate's office by Turner, McClure & Tolson, attorneys for the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, the executors under the will.

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